THE DIADEM

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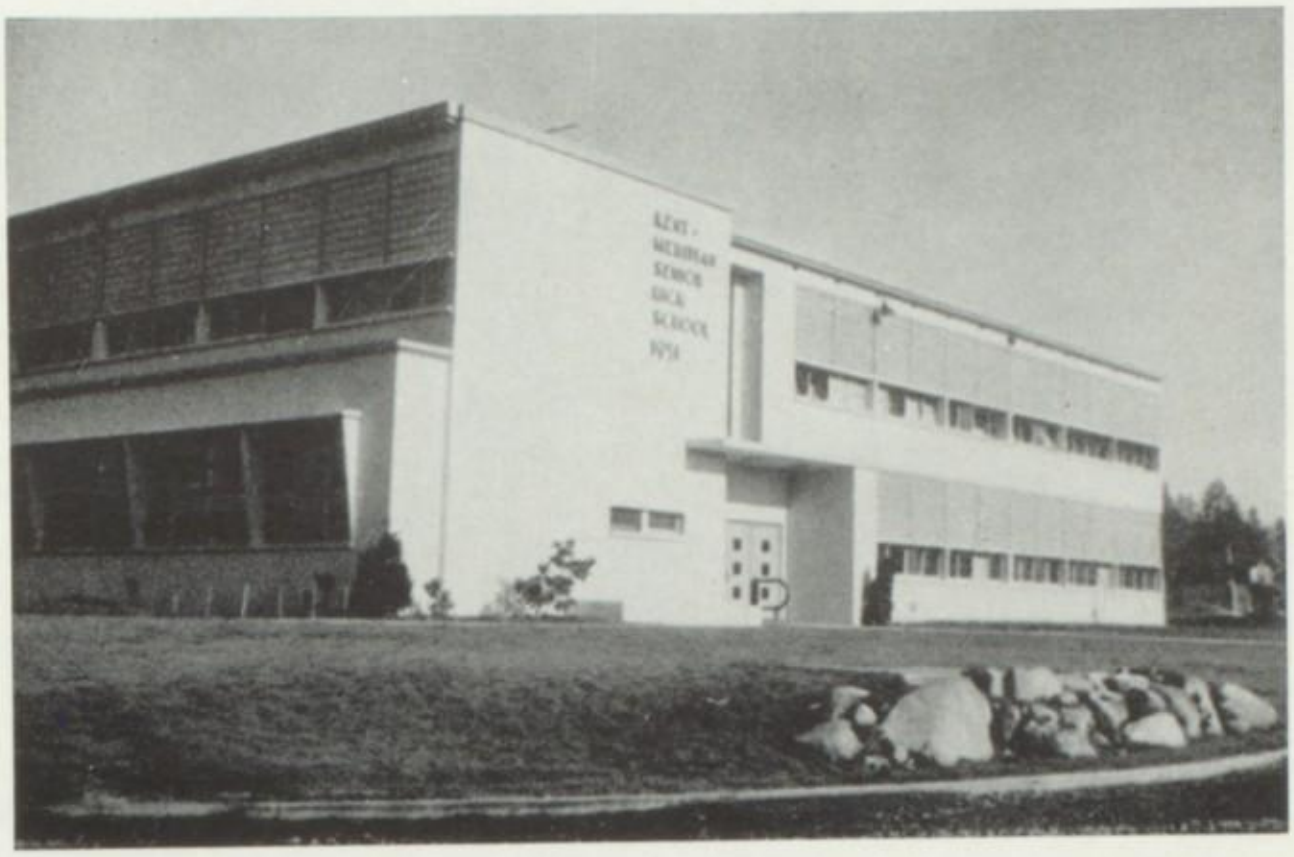


FOREWORD

The Senior Class of 1954, the first class to go completely through Kent-Meridian High School, is largely responsible for the selection of this year's DIADEM theme. It was their ambition to create a school that would rank among the best in the state. Through their hard work and endeavors, this ambition has become a reality, for they worked with their hands.

—Arlene Shaffer, Editor.

ADMINISTRATION

William Beard, Principal

William Beard, principal, guided classes through another big year at Kent-Meridian. Through his office passed student problems and important administrative decisions. Under his leadership, a campaign was launched to raise funds for a football scoreboard.

The School Board with W. S. Wynstra, superintendent and C. W. Iles, business manager, concentrated their efforts on the building program. During their administration, products of a previous bond issue became a reality. A physical education building, football field, cafeteria, and elaborately furnished home economics plant were completed this spring and portable bleachers were purchased for the gym.

These men have proved to us that ruling hands can also be helpful guides.

Larry Costello, Dr. M. W. Morgan, W. E. Ruth, Karl Johnson and Dr. O. L. Montgomery.
In background are: C. W. Iles and Supt. Walter Wynstra.

ATTENDANCE OFFICE

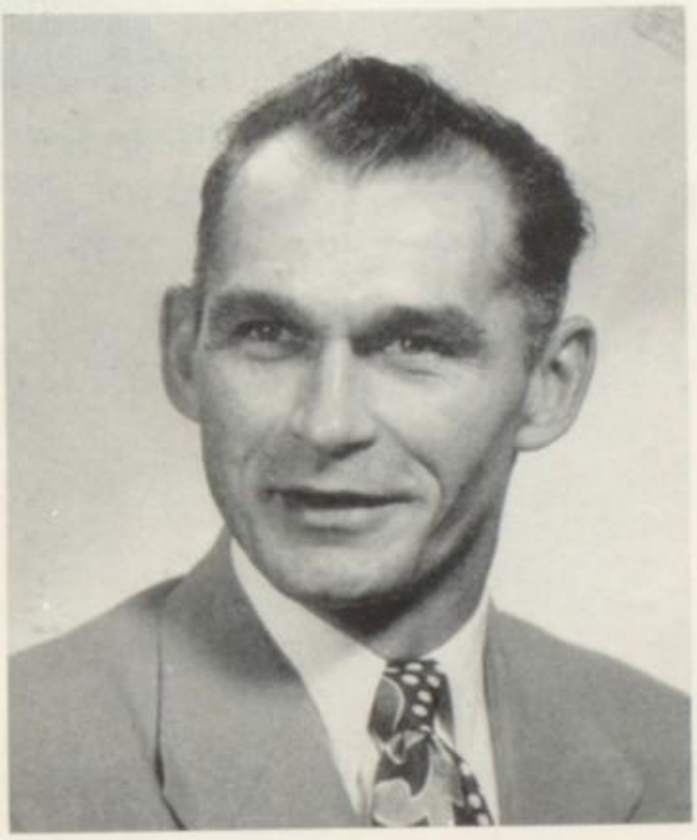
H. Arthur Pommer and Joan Taylor

Nurse Eagen and Carol Milden

Filling out attendance reports, issuing early dismissals, checking excuses; these are just a few duties of the hard working but little appreciated Kent-Meridian attendance office. Members of this compact organization work with the office staff in compiling reports of absent and tardy students. Matt Muczynski and Art Pommer are in charge of re-admitting pupils while Miss Eagen, R .N. takes care of examinations and any emergencies which arise.

A typical day in the attendance office finds both Pommer and Muczynski working before school and well into the first period, going through the monotonous routine of checking a wide variety of valid and not-so-valid excuses. These individuals dole out admit slips and also "break the sad news" to returning school skippers.

Miss Eagen, besides administering emergency first aid, is present every Wednesday for eye and ear examinations.



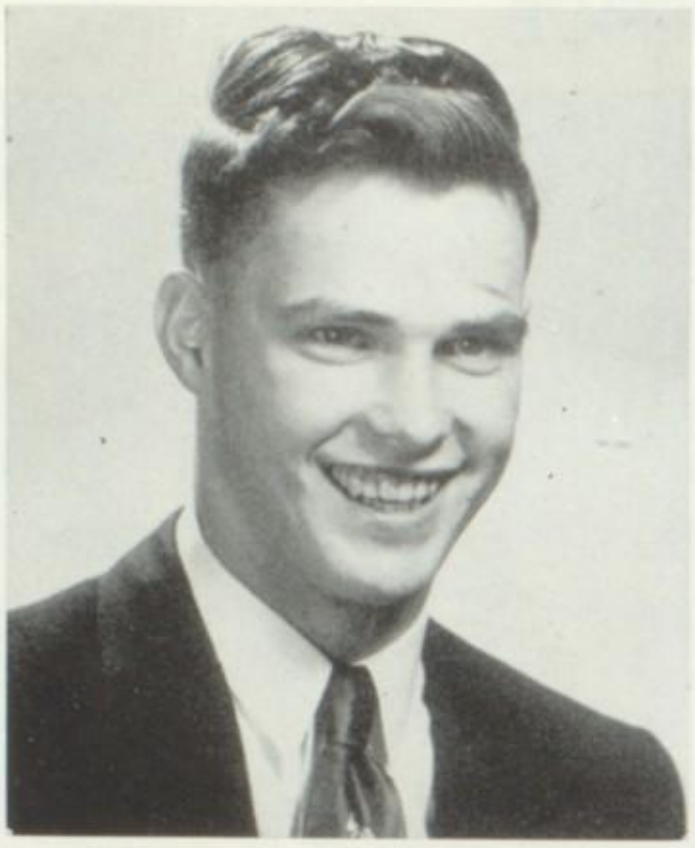
Matt Muczynski, vice-principal

STUDENT BODY OFFICERS

The addition of a temporary treasurer, purchase of a phonograph, and election of representatives to the Teen-Age Safety Council were only a few of many goals reached by Student Council during 1953-1954.

Led by Eugene Omey, president; John Schuy, vice-president; and Pat Cavender, secretary; the council passed and rejected measures brought forth by representatives elected from home rooms.

Student Council is a representative body that carries on all business pertaining to the student body. Authorized by their home rooms, representatives vote as dictated.



Eugene Omey, president

Patricia Cavender, secretary

At mid-year, the need for the addition of the office of treasurer was discovered. Barbara Anderson was appointed to fill the post temporarily until the spring election.

Mike Yambra, Gerry Anderson, and Ted Ripley attended Seattle's first Teen-Age Safety Council.

John Schuy, vice-president

STANDING COMMITTEES

An exchange assembly with Auburn in March highlighted the activity list for the student council assembly committee. Vocalists, pantomime artists and dancers performed in the gala revues.

Part of the group in charge of making arrangements for this and other assemblies, as the Christmas program, the WSC choir visit, and the Auburn chorus, were Jim Hougardy, Janet Zittel, and Dorothy Mumm.

Responsible for raising funds as the need arose were Barbara Johnson and Sally Hammarstrom.

As the Student Council voted to treat members of Auburn's chorus to lunch after their assembly here, the ways and means committee sponsored two candy sales.

Students and faculty donated approximately $13 worth of fudge and divinity each time, to net the necessary $25.

Assembly Committee
Zittel, Hougardy, Mumm

The calendar committee consisting of Rita Hunter, Julie Horstman and Gerry Anderson were in charge of making arrangements on the K-M calendar for dances, carnivals, plays or talent shows.

Functioning through Student Council, the group made necessary arrangements to prevent conflicts in school activities.

Ways and Means Committee
Johnson, Hammarstrom

Calendar Committee
Hunter, Anderson, Horstman

FACULTY

GUS ALLEN, B.A.
Sociology, Speech, Debate

MILDRED AMEND, B.A.
Library

JOHN BOYLE, B.A.
Geometry, World History

JACK BURRELL, B.A.
World History

NORWOOD CUNNINGHAM, B.A.
Drivers' Training, Biology

WESLEY DAHL, B.A.
Sociology, World and U. S. History

OLIVIA FEROE, B.S.
Home Economics

CLAUDE FRENCH, B.A.
Industrial Arts

JAMES GAINES, B.A.
English

HAROLD GRAHAM, B.S.
Agriculture

STANLEY HAYNES, B.A.
Music

LOUISE JACKSON, B.S.
Spanish, Typing, History

LILLIAN MADISON, B.A.
Latin, Mathematics, Finance

EILEEN McHUGH, B.A.,M.A.
English, Journalism

EMMYLOU OAKES, B.A.
Art, English

DON ORR, B.S.
Agriculture

THAYNE PARKS, B.S.
Biology, Consumer Science

H. ARTHUR POMMER, B.S.
Chemistry, Physics

VIRGINIA REDDIE, B.A.
Shorthand, Office Practice

ELIZABETH RIGHTMIRE, B.A.
English, Speech

LORNA ROYER, B.A.
Spanish, English

HAROLD SCHULTZ, B.A
Bookkeeping, Shorthand

ARNOLD TRESCOTT, B.A.
Arts, Crafts

ASTRID ULLELAND, B.A.
U.S. History, Geometry

classes

SENIORS

DAVID DURAND, president; MIKE YAMBRA, vice-president; PATSY NORBERG, secretary; JIM OLSON, treasurer.

One hundred and sixty-one not-so-humble sophomores who had been initiated as freshmen invaded the sparkling newness of a half-finished school in 1951.

This cocky group chose "Ship Ahoy" as the theme for their hop. Class officers were Eugene Omey, Jim Strecker, Connie Wightman, and John Rawley.

As upper classmen the following year, the enthusiastic juniors backed a benefit game to pay for football lighting. Fred Emerson, Mike Yambra, Jessie Wright, and Sally Hammarstrom were chosen leaders. The junior prom was eliminated in favor of a "Sweethearts Ball" co-sponsored with the seniors.

With the realization this was their last year in "high," 128 seniors went through the ritual of class work and graduation.

The '54 senior ball, featuring a "Stairway To the Stars" had elaborate decorations, including silver stars, sparkle dust and a shimmering moon.

SENIOR BALL COMMITTEE

First row: Fisker, Hammarstrom.
Second row: Norberg, Merrick, Higgenbotham, Blanton.

SENIORS

VIJA AGARS
Student Council 3; Girls' Club Cabinet 3, 4, Sec. 4; F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; Torch 2, 3, 4; Thespians 4; Girls' State; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4.

MYRNA ALLEN
F.H.A. 2; Chorus 2, 3, 4; Pep Club 2; Festival Chorus 2, 3, 4; Exchange Assemblies 2, 3, 4.

RICHARD AMENY
Fire Squad 2, 3, 4; Camera Club 3, 4; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2; Golf 4; Senior Banquet; Intramural Basketball 2, 3; Smoker 3; Rifle Club 3; Ski Club 3.

ELLEN ANDERSON
F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; Vice-Pres. 4; Torch 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Thespians 3, 4; Pres. 4; Band 2; Play 3; Senior Play; Boyless Dance.

GARFIELD ANDERSON
Thespians 4; Band 2; Tennis 2, 3, 4; Radio Club 2, 3.

GLEN ANDERSON
F.F.A. 2, 4; Thespians 4; Band 2; Tennis 2; Service Club 3, 4; Parliamentary Procedure Team 4; Senior Play.

RICHARD ANDERSON
Art Club 2; Thespians 4.

RONALD ANDERSON
Vigilantes 4; Lettermen's Club 2, 3, 4; Chorus 2, 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4; Service Club 2; Exchange Assembly 4.

PATRICIA ANGELL
F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; Torch 2, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Thespians 3; Historian 4; Chairman Initiation 4; G.A.A. 2, 3; Senior Play; Boyless Dance.

BARBARA APRILL
F.H.A. 2; Torch 4; Camera Club Treas. 2, Sec. 3; Spanish Club 3, 4; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Cabinet 4; Playdays 2, 3, 4.

JACQUALYN BEARD
F.H.A. 3; Torch 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Thespians 4; Chorus 3; Golf 2, 3, 4; Office 4; Class Dances 2, 3; Senior Play; Girls' Club Cabinet 4.

BENJAMIN BESE
F.F.A. 2, 3.

JANICE BIGGAR
G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Torch 2, 4; Chorus 3, 4; Office 4; Library 4; Playdays 2, 3, 4.

EMERSON BISHOP
Baseball 2, 3, 4.

MARGARET BLANTON
Student Council 2; Girls' Club Cabinet 3, Pres. 4; Torch 2, 3, Vice-Pres. 4; Girls' Honor 3, 4; Annual 2, 3; Thespians 3, 4; Chorus 4; Class Dances 2, 3, 4; Chairman 3; Senior Play; Exchange Assemblies 2, 3; Tolo 3, 4; Homecoming 2, 3, 4; Winner Alma Mater Contest 4; Ideal Girl.

SHIRLEY BLISS
F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; Camera Club 2, 3; Herald 4; Thespians 4; Chorus 3, 4; Tennis 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4.

BETTIE BOLEY
Torch 4; Pep Club 2; Library 4; Office 4; Class Dances 4.

DONNA BREDA
Girls' Club Cabinet 4, Treas. 4; F.H.A. 3; Spanish Club 2; Chorus 4; Harmony Five; Exchange Assemblies 3, 4.

SENIORS

LORA LEE BROWN
F.H.A. 2, 3; Torch 2, 3, 4; Camera Club 2, 3; Girls' Honor 4; Thespians 4; Band 2, 3, 4; Golf 3, 4; Sportsmen's Club 4; State Band 4; Chairman Mother's Tea 3; Valedictorian.

LARRY CALHOUN
Fire Squad 2, 3, 4; Vigilantes 3; Herald 4; Annual, Sports Editor 4; Lettermen's Club 4; Band 2, 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4; Class Dances 2, 3, 4; Ski Club 2; Pep Band.

CLAUDIA CALVERT
F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; Vice-Pres. 3; Pres. 3; Torch 2, 3, 4; Camera Club 2, 3; Class Dances 3; Commencement 3; Homecoming 4; Girls' Club Conference Decorations.

ELLSWORTH CARLSEN
Rifle Club 2.

VIRGINIA CASE
G.A.A. 2; Chorus 3, 4; Library 4; Class Dance 4.

PATRICIA CAVENDER
Student Body Sec. 4; Art Club 2; Torch 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Girls' Honor 3, 4; Herald 3; Annual 3, Art Editor 4; Thespians 3, 4; Band 2, Pep Club 2, 3; Senior Play.

STEPHEN CLUPHF
Track 2; Smoker 2, 3.

JANICE CODY
Entered from Colville 3.

FRANCES COURNEYA
Camera Club 2, 3; Sec. 3; Thespians 2, 3, 4; Chorus 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 3, 4.

DORIS DeMAN
F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; Art Club 2; Spanish Club 3, Vice-Pres. 4; Thespians 2, 3, 4; Registrar 3; Office 4; Tolo 2.

BEVERLY DREISOW
F.H.A. 2; Torch 2, 3, 4; Camera Club 2; Salutatorian.

DAVID DURAND
Student Council 4; Sr. Class Pres.; Camera Club 2, 3; Thespians 2, 3, 4; Gold Star 4; Band 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2; Service Club 2, 3, 4; Sec. 3; Class Dances 2, 3, 4; Senior Play; Exchange Assemblies 4.

DIANE EDLINE
Student Council 3; F.H.A. 2, 3; Torch, 2, 3, 4; Girls' Honor 3, 4; Herald 3, 4; Annual, Business Manager 4, Ad Manager 3; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 4; Class Dances 2, 3, 4; Press Conference 3, 4; Homecoming 2, 4.

MICHAEL ELLIS
F.F.A. 2, 3; Torch, 2, 3, 4; Fire Squad 3, 4; Camera Club 2, 3; Thespians 4; Service Club 3, Rifle Club 2; Sportsmen's Club 4.

FRED EMERSON
Student Council, 2, 3; Soph. Vice-Pres.; Jr. Class Pres.; Vigilantes 2; Lettermen's Club 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Baseball, 2, 3, 4; Boy's State.

CAROLYN ENEVOLD

GARY FISKER
Camera Club 2, 3, Treas. 2, Sgt.-at-Arms 3; Band 2, 3, 4; Basketball Manager 2; Tennis 3, 4; Service Club 2, 3, 4; Pres. 4; Sportsmen's Club 4.

LARRY FLOTTEN
Soph. Class Sgt.-at-Arms; Jr. Class Sgt.-at-Arms; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; Basketball, 2, 3, 4; Tennis 2, 3, 4; Senior Play; Class Dance 4.

SENIORS

MONTE FUGATE
Art Club 2; Camera Club, 2, 3; Pres. 3, Band 2; Service Club 4; Class Dances 2, 3; Intramural Basketball 2, 3, 4; Ways and Means, 4.

LAUREN GORDON
Tennis 2, 3, 4; Service Club, 2, 3; Sportsmen's Club 4.

SHIRLEY GRANT
Girl's Club Cabinet 3; G.A.A., 2, 3, 4; Cabinet 2, Vice-Pres. 3, Pres. 4, Playdays 2, 3, 4; Library 4; Office 4; Torch 4.

LeROY HABRYLE
F.F.A. 2, 3, 4; Lettermen's Club 4; Track 2, 3, 4; Air Raid Warden 4.

SALLY HAMMARSTROM
Student Council 3, 4; Class Treas. 3; Girl's Club Vice-Pres. 4; Homecoming Princess 4; Class Dances 2, 3, 4; Girl's Honor 3, 4; Annual 3, 4; Pep Club 2; Herald 3, 4; Co-Circulation Manager, 3; Art Club 3; F.H.A. 2, 3.

NORMA JEAN HANSON
F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; Girl's Honor 3, 4; Herald 3, 4; Annual 3, 4; Thesp. 3, 4; Sr. Ways and Means; Exchange Assemblies 4; Tolo 3; Homecoming 3.

GEORGE HASHAGEN
Baseball 2; Boy's Club.

ROSEMARIE HAYES
Torch 4, Chorus 4; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Cabinet 3; Playdays 2, 3, 4; Library 3, 4; Office 4.

HOWARD HIGGINBOTHAM
Torch 2, 3; Camera Club 3; Golf 4; Radio Club 2, 3; Homecoming 4; Class Dance 4.

KARL HIGGINS
Service Club 2, 3, 4; Fire Squad 2, 3, 4; Camera Club 2, 3; Thespians 2, 3, 4; Chorus, 2; Football Manager 2; Tennis 2, 3, 4; Play 2; Senior Play.

PATRICIA HOLLAND
F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 2; Torch 2, 4; Chorus 2, 4; Homecoming 3; Class Dances 2, 3, 4.

JULIE HORSTMAN
Student Council 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. 2, 3; Torch 2, 3, 4; Girl's Honor 2, 3, 4; Herald 3, Editor 4; Ad Manager 3; Annual 2; Thespians 2, 4; Vice-Pres. 3; Band 2; Homecoming Princess 4; Yell Squad 2, 3, Queen 4; G.A.A. 2, Historian 3; D.A.R. Citizenship Award; Girls' State. Ideal Girl.

NANCY HOVE
F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; Art Club 2; Torch 2; Girl's Honor 2, 3, 4; Pep Club 2, 3; Herald 3, 4; Annual 4; Thespians 2, 3, 4; Chorus 3, 4; Class Dances 2, 3, 4.

MARGARET HUGHES
Chorus 3, 4; Library 4; Office 4; Class Dances.

RITA HUNTER
Student Council 4; F.H.A. 2, 3; Girl's Honor 3, 4; Herald, Circulation Manager 3; Business Manager 4; Annual 3, 4; Pep Club 3, 4; Assembly Committee 3, 4; Calendar Comm. 4; Press Conference, 4; Election Committee; Alumnae Tea 3; Commencement 3, 4.

ROBERT HURT
Lettermen's Club 2, 3, 4; Football 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3.

EDWARD JACKSON
Camera Club 2, 3; Spanish Club 2, 3; Herald 4; Band 2, 3; Tennis 2, 4; Service Club 2, 3, 4.

BARBARA JOHNSON
Student Council 4; F.H.A. 2, 3; G.A.A. 2, 3; Torch 3; Spanish Club 3, 4; Girl's Honor 4; Class Dances 3, 4; Spanish Banquet Chairman 4; Homecoming 4.

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LILLIAN JONES
Girl's Club 2, 3, 4.

ALMA KENNEDY
Spanish Club 3, 1; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Playdays 2, 3, 4; Style Show 2.

BARBARA KIRKLAND
F.H.A. 2; Torch 2; Herald 3, 4; Annual 3, Copy Editor 4; Pep Club 3, Pres. 3; Class Dances 2, 3, 4.

JOAN KNAPSTAD
Art Club 2, Torch 3, 4; Pep Club 3; Band 2, 3; G.A.A. Treas. Historian 4; Banquet 3, 4; Class Dance 2, 4.

SHARLENE KRIE
Debate 4; Torch 3; Spanish Club 3, 4; Chorus 4; Sr. Ways and Means 4; Office 4; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Cabinet 4; Playdays 2, 3, 4; Drill Team 2; G.A.A. Award Night.

CECIL KRUSE
Girl's Club 2, 3, 4.

DONNA LEBER
Art Club 2, Torch 3; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; Thespians 4; Chorus 4; G.A.A. 3, 4; Ski Club 3; Class Dance 4.

FENJE LENTING
Entered from Renton 3; G.A.A. 4; Chorus 4; Library 4.

JEANNE LeVESQUE
F.H.A. 3, 4; Torch 2; Camera Club 2, 3; Herald 3, 4; Annual 4; Thespians 2, 3, 4; Chorus 3, 4; Tennis 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Senior Play; Triple Trio 4; Library 4.

NANCY LEWIS
Torch 3, Chorus 3, 4; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Office 4; Senior Play; Class Dance 4; Mass Chorus 4; Exchange Assemblies 3, 4; Solo Contest 4, Triple Trio 3, 4; Harmony Five; Music Festival 3, 4.

MORRIS LINDBACK
Photography Club.

HUGH LOCKE
F.F.A.

NADINE LOOSE (GILBERT)
Class Dances 2, 3, 4; Radio Club 2, Art Club 2, G.A.A. 3.

JUNE LUBKING
F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; Camera Club 2, 3; Spanish Club 3, 4; Treas. 4; Thespians 2, 3, 4; Pep Club 2, 3; Class Dances 2, 3; Spanish Club Banquet 3, 4.

CHARLES LYBECK
F.F.A. 2; Fire Squad 4; Vigilantes 3; Herald 4; Lettermen's Club 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Smoker 3.

CONNIE MAIRS
Art Club 2; Spanisih Club 3; Chorus 4.

BONNIE MARTIN
F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; Picnic Chairman 3, Parliamentarian 4; Torch 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Thespians 4; G.A.A. 3, 4; Office 4; Senior Play.

STEWART McCLURKEN
Torch 3, Pres. 4; Camera Club 2; Spanish Club 3, 4; Vigilantes 3; Thespians 4; Lettermen's Club 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Tennis 2, 3, 4; Senior Play; Service Club 2, 3; Vice-Pres. 4.

SENIORS

WAYNE McCUTCHEN
Entered from Winthrop 2; Art Club 2; Sportsmen's Club 4; Rifle Club 2.

PRISCILLA McDONALD
G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Art Club 2; Chorus 4.

SUE McLANE
F.H.A. 2, 3; Torch 2, 3, 4; Girl's Honor 3, 4, Pres. 4; Herald 3, Copy Ed. 4; Annual 3, 4; Jr. Ed. 3; Thespians 2, 3, 4; Senior Play; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; Treas. 2; Class Dances 3, 4.

JOANNA MERRICK
F.H.A. 2, 3; Torch 3; Pep Club 2; Spanish Club 3, 4; Herald 3, 4; Annual 3, 4; Class Dances 2, 3, 4; Homecoming 4; Voice of Democracy Contest Winner, 4.

BEVERLY MESSMER
F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Sec. 3, 4; Class Dances 3, 4; Homecoming 4; Spanish Club Banquet 3, 4.

CAROLINE MILDEN
Student Council 3; Torch 2, 4; Chorus 2, 3, 4; Majorette 2; Triple Trio 3, 4; Exchange Assemblies 3, 4, Solo Meet 2, 3, 4; Office 4.

ELIZABETH MIYAGISHIMA
F.H.A. 3, 4; Historian 4; Art Club 2; Torch 3; G.A.A. 3; Award Banquet 3; Girl's Club Cabinet Conference 4.

PHILIP NARVERUD
Band 2; Paddle Squad 2.

GLOYD NEILSON
F.F.A. 2, 3; Herald 4; Annual 4; Band 2; Paddle Squad 2; Intramural Basketball 2.

JANICE NELSON
F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; Art Club 2; Girl's Honor 3, 4; Herald 3, 4; Thespians 3, 4; Chorus 2, 4; Pep Club 3, 4; G.A.A. Exchange Assemblies 3, 4; Plays 3, 4.

PATRICIA NORBERG
Student Council 3; Sr. Class Sec.; Torch 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 2, 3; Girl's Honor 3, 4; Herald 4; Annual 4; Thespians 4; Class Dances 2, 3; Chairman 4; Senior Play; Pep Club 2, 3, 4, Vice-Pres. 3; Commencement 2, 3, 4; Winner Alma Mater Contest.

JOSEPH O'DONNELL
Track 2; Smoker 2.

VIRGINIA OIEN
Student Council 2; Girl's Club Cabinet 2; F.H.A. 2, Vice-Pres. 3; Torch 2; Spanish Club 2, 3; Girl's Honor 3, 4; Herald 3, Exchange Ed. 4; Annual 2, 3, 4; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 2, 3; Homecoming 4.

JAMES OLSON
Student Council 3; Herald 4; Vigilanates 3; Sr. Class Treas.; Torch 2, 3, 4; Lettermen's Club 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Fire Squad 2, 3, 4; Sportsmen's Club 4.

EUGENE OMEY
A.S.B. Pres. 4; Student Council 2, 3; Soph. Class Pres., Torch 2, 3, 4; Vigilantes 2, 3, 4; Lettermen's Club 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3; Captain 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Boy's State; Smoker 2, 3, 4;

HARVEY OSTERHOUSE
Student Council 2; Torch 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 2, 3; Treas. 3; Band 2, 3, 4; Sportsmen's Club Pres. 4.

PAUL PEARSON
Camera Club 2, 3; Lettermen's Club 4; Track 2, 3, 4; Service Club 2, 3, 4.

CLINTON PETERSON
F.F.A. 2, 3, Vice-Pres. 3.

SENIORS

KAY PETRICH
F.H.A. 2, 3; Spanish Club 3, 4; Girl's Honor 3, 4; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; Sec. 2; Office 4; G.A.A. 2; Herald 3, 4; Annual 2, 3, 4; Tolo 4; Commencement 3; Class Dances.

PATRICIA PICARDO
F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; Art Club 2; Torch 2, 3, 4; Camera Club 3; Commencement 3; Class Dance 3 Exchange Assemblies 4.

JOHN RAWLEY
Soph. Class Treas.; Fire Squad 3; Vigilantes 3; Lettermen's Club 2, 3, 4; Chorus 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Track 3, 4.

JACK RELYEA
Herald 4; Annual 4; Football 4; Smoker 3; Ski Club 3.

BEVERLY RISEDORPH
Torch 2; Library 4; Office 4; Style Show 2.

CLIFFORD ROBERTSON
F.F.A. 2, 3; Refreshment Chairman 2, 3; Serving Comm. 3; Fair Exhibit 3.

RICHARD ROMAN
F.F.A. 2, 3, 4; Rifle Club 2.

JOHN RUTH
Rifle Club 2; Herald 3, Sports Ed. 4; Annual 3, 4; Service Club 2, 3, 4.

JOYCE SASSETTI
F.H.A. 2, 3; Art Club 3; Camera Club 2; Thespians 2, 3, 4; Chorus 3; Pep Club 2, 3; Senior Play; Office 4; Ski Club 2; Class Dance 2.

JACK SCHAEFER
F.F.A. 2, 3; Art Club 2; Chorus 4.

RALPH SCHOENFELD
Art Club 2; Fire Squad 2; Vigilantes 3; Lettermen's Club 2, 3, 4; Chorus 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2; Track 2, 3, 4; Sportsmen's Club 4.

NINA SCHUVER
Chorus 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 2; Pep Club 2; Class Dance 3.

JOHN SCHUY
Student Body Vice-Pres. 4; F.F.A. 4; Sec. 2; Pres. 3; Torch 2, 3, 4; Thespians 4; Sr. Play 4; Assembly Comm. 4, Parliamentary Procedure Team 2, 3, 4.

SANDRA SELLS
F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 2; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; Sgt.-at-Arms 3; Herald 3, 4; Annual 3, 4; Class Dance 2, 3, 4; Homecoming 4.

ARLENE SHAFFER
Student Council 4; F.H.A. 2; Torch 2, 3, 4; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; Pres. 3; Girl's Honor 3, 4; Herald 3, 4; Annual 2, 3, Editor 4; Thespians 4; Chorus 4; Sr. Play; Class Dance 2, 3, 4; Triple Trio 4.

JEREMY SHEA
Entered from Wis. 4; Torch 4; Herald, Asst. Sports Editor, 4; Annual, Asst. Ed. 4; All-School Play. Press Conference 4; Thespians 4; Class Speaker 4.

WILLIAM SORENSON
Entered from Auburn 2; Landscape Comm. 2, 3, 4; Radio Club 2; Sportsmen's Club 4; Rifle Club 2.

SUE STACIE
F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; Torch 2, 3, 4; Girl's Honor 2, Historian 3, Sec. 4; Annual 2, 3; Thespians 2, 3, 4; Chorus 2, 3, 4; Mass Chorus 4; Solo Meet 2, 3, 4; Harmony Five; Class Dances 2, 3, 4; Exchange Assemblies 2, 3, 4.

SENIORS

ROBERT STAPLES
Vigilantes 2, 3; Lettermen's Club 2, 3, 4; Band 2; Football 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4.

PATRICIA ST. LOUIS
F.H.A. 2, 3, Pres. 4; Registrar 2; Art Club 2; Girl's Honor 3, 4; Herald 3, 4; Annual 2, 3, 4; Chorus 3, 4; Class Dances 2, 3, 4; Homecoming 4; Rifle Club 2.

MARTINA STROOMER
F.H.A. 2, 3, Treas. 4; Art Club 2; Herald 3, 4; Chorus 3, 4; Commencement 4.

JOAN TAYLOR
F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; Art Club 2; Spanish Club 3, Sgt.-at-Arms 4; Herald 3, 4; Annual 3, 4; Office 4; Pep Club 2; Annual Conference 4; Class Dances 3, 4; Commencement 4.

PATRICIA WELLS
Torch 4; Chorus 4; G.A.A. 2; Girl's Club Conference 4.

CONNIE WIGHTMAN
Soph. Class Sec.; F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; Treas. 3, Girls' Honor 3, 4; Chorus 2, 3, 4; Mass Chorus 4; Herald 3, 4; Pep Club 2; Tolo 3; Class Dances 2, 3, 4.

SANDRA WINNETT
Camera Club 2; Chorus 4; G.A.A. 2; Class Dance 4.

JEANNE WOYAK
F.H.A. 3, 4; Camera Club 2; Thespians 4; Chorus 3, 4; Tennis 2; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Pep Club 2; Class Dance 2.

JESSIE WRIGHT
Student Council 2; Jr. Class Sec.; F.H.A. 2; Parliamentarian 3; Torch 2, 3; Girl's Honor 3, 4; Cheerleader 4; Herald 3, 4; Annual 3; Thespians 2, 3, 4; Chorus 3; Majorette 2; Tennis 2; Senior Play; G.A.A. 2, 4.

MARION YAMBRA
F.H.A. 2, 3; Torch 2, 3, 4; Girl's Honor 3, Treas. 4; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 4; Herald 3, 4; Annual 3, 4, Circulation Manager 3; Office 4; Tolo 4; Annual Ad. Manager 4.

MICHAEL YAMBRA
Student Council 4; Jr. Class Vice-Pres.; Sr. Class Vice-Pres. Torch 2; Fire Squad 4; Camera Club 2; Pres. 3; Vigilantes 3; Lettermen's Club 3, 4; Band 2, 3; Basketball 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Service Club 2, 3, 4; Class Dances 3, 4.

JANET ZITTEL
Student Council 4; F.H.A. 2, 3; Torch 2, 3, 4; Girl's Honor 3, Registrar 4; Herald 3, 4; Annual 3, Circulation; Manager 4; Thespians 2, 3, 4; Homecoming Queen 4; Senior Play; Pep Club 3, Sec.-Treas. 4. Ideal Girl.

KENT JOHNSON
Entered from Minn. 4; Chorus 4; Exchange Assemblies 4; Chorus Soloist 4.

DEAN ROSS
Chorus 3, 4; Service Club 2, 3, 4.

JUNIOR CLASS

GERRY ANDERSON, president; BOB ANDERSON, vice-president; JOANNE GOUGE, secretary; DAVE SCHUY, treasurer.

The class of '55 entered Kent-Meridian High School as sophomores with an initial enrollment of 193 students. During their first year they selected the class insignia and chose Dan Birklid as president and Jim Larin, vice-president. Sydney Baden was elected to keep records straight and Martha Kitajo was appointed keeper of the funds. Ron Guild was given the job of maintaining order in the class meeting.

Hawaiian Holiday was chosen as the theme for the Sophomore Hop.

In the fall of 1953 the class chose Gerry Anderson to guide them with the help of his cousin, Bob Anderson. Joanne Gouge was given the duty of recording class doings, and balancing the budget was the job given to Dave Schuy. Jim Pierre and George Gwerder were elected to maintain quiet meetings.

Cinderella Ann Scott and her two princesses, Sydney Baden and Beverly Brown, highlighted the Junior Prom, February 13.

JUNIOR PROM COMMITTEE
First row: Prindible, Scott. Second row: Braunschweig, Kitajo. Third row: Fournier, Anderson, Baden.

B. Acheson
B. Adams
B. Anderson
B. Atchley

S. Baden
D. Bardon
K. Barnes
S. Beams

F. Benedict
J. Bevaart
D. Birklid
H. Blackford

B. Bouton
M. Bruns
M. Braunschweig
B. Brown

D. Brummitt
E. Butenko
J. Byers
R. Carmicheal

S. Christianson
R. Clark
R. Cluphf
J. Cooper

C. Crossan
B. Dahlgren
J. DeBuque
J. Emerson

B. Enger
B. English
M. Evans
H. Ferris

B. Fletcher
J. Fournier
B. Gonnason
J. Gouge

L. Graff
C. Graham
E. Graham
G. Grosz

R. Guild
R. Hadley
C. Harding
A. Hauge

B. Hayes
J. Henning
J. Hill
J. Hougardy

M. Houston
F. Hurt
D. Jerrard
D. Johnson

M. Johnston
P. Kelly
M. Kitajo
P. Knapp

M. Koch
M. Kohr
P. Kruse
J. Larin

A. Laub
D. Leber
G. Little
V. Locke

M. Loyer
D. Mars
B. Martin
J. Martin

J. McIntyre
M. Meyst
D. Mumm
D. Nesland

A. Ness
M. O'Brien
J. Orton
D. Paine

D. Peterson
J. Peterson
J. Pierre
N. Pratt

D. Prindible
F. Pringle
P. Pudmaroff
R. Quinn

B. Rockwell
P. Rotter
E. Roundtree
C. Rugg

R. Rumsey
R. Russell
J. Schuler
A. Scott

M. Searcy
J. Shaneyfelt
M. Skagen
E. Smail

B. Snelling
A. Sorenson
R. Stratton
G. Stennes

M. Stendal
L. Strom
M. Sundlie
R. Thomas

N. Thrasher
G. Tranholt
M. Turner
J. Ulleland

M. Van Horn
L. Webb
K. Wells
E. Wilson

F. Wilson
M. Wilson
M. Zacharias
S. Zinn

N. Clifford
A. Bowen
D. Doud
D. Peterson

Sophomore Officers: Orndorff, Ball, Park, Ravet, Tsukamaki, Warren.

SOPHOMORE CLASS

On September 9, 1954 a new group of sophomores entered Kent-Meridian High School. A few weeks later they were initiated into high school life by the class of '54.

Sophomores carried books, opened doors, shined shoes, and repeated pledges to all seniors as part of their initiation.

Dave Ravet was elected class president, with Jean Tsukamaki assistant to the president, Sharon Park taking the minutes, and Ardith Ball who handled financial affairs, as his helpers. Ronnie Warren and Ron Orndorff were elected to keep order at class meetings.

The traditional Sophomore Hop, with Tippy Hunter, chairman, was held March 20 with "South Of the Border" as its theme.

Sophomore Initiation: Weis, Sandford, O'Donnell

AGARS
ANGLEMEYER
APPLETON
AUKER
ANDERSON
BAGBY

BAINES
BALL
HARRENSTEIN
BARNETT
BEAMS
BABCOCK

BIRKLID
BISYAK
BLAU
BONWELL
BOOHER
BIGLEY

BRUNS
BURKS
CASE
CLEVELAND
COBEAN
BOSSHART

BURGSMA
CLARK
PAULSON
DARE
DITTMAR
DINGMAN

EDLINE
HOLMAN
FRIZELLE
FROST
GABRIELSON
GROSZ

GREEN
GREEN
GEIJSBEEK
GAULT
GOLDMAN
GLEASON

HANSON
HANSON
HANSON
HARN
FOX
HARWOOD

HARVEY
JACOBSEN
DeSMET
HELGESON
JOHNSON
JENN

PHILLIPS
JEINKE
JOHNSON
JOHNSON
UNDERHILL

SHAMSELDEN
STRAIN
HIXON
HOMES
VANDERWALL
HUNTER

HUNTER
WAKEFIELD
KELLY
KLINE
KROHN
LAPINS

LAWSON
SANDELIUS
LINDBACK
LOOSE
LUDVIKSON
SIVERTS

MacGREGOR
MAKS
MASQUAT
MATTSON
McCLUSKY
MEAD

MILLER
MONK
MORGAN
MURPHY
OCHS
O'DELL

ORNDORFF
OSBORNE
OSBORNE
OWENS
PARK
PARSONS

PATTERSON
PAULSEN
PERROZA
PETERSON
PHILLIPS
PORTMAN

PUGH
REIDBURG
REITEN
RIPLEY
REUTER
RUTH

PEARSON
WETHERBY
TAYLOR
TAPPON
LAYERT
KNUTSON

STAFFORD
STOY
SCHULTZ
SHEPPARD
SANDBERG
SCOTT

SIMPSON
STENNES
SCHULTZ
SCRIBNER
SIMON
STARK

SANFORD
HOLCOMB
SKAGEN
SWARTZ
PARIS
MASON

LeDOUX
WARREN
TSUKAMAKI
THORNTON
TAYLOR
WAXDALL

THOMPSON
ULLELAND
TAYLOR
TURNER
WYBENGA
VAN KIRK

WILLIAMSON
WELCH
WICKS
UNDERHILL
SCHOENFELD
YAMBRA

—Autographs—

activities

First row: Shaffer, Milden, Beams, Loyer, Stoy, Hunter, Grant, Bliss, LeVesque, Kruse, Thomas.
Second row: Poole, Johnson, Pratt, Small, Cleveland. Beams, Turner, Bonwell, Nesland, Woyak, Blanton, Hove, Graff, Dair, Sandbury, Hayes.
Third row: Ulleland, Van Horn, Biggar, Paulson, Welch, Schuver, Prindible, Nelson, Hanson, St. Louis, Stratton, Birklid, Ness, Bese, Weis, Martin.
Fourth row: Stendal, Booher, Case, Hughes, Lewis, Stacie, Wightman, Lenting, Courneya, Allen, Stroomer, Holland, Johnson, Scheafer, Rawley, Schoenfeld, Anderson, English, Ross, Kelly, Arca.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Under the direction of Stanley Haynes, Kent-Meridian's music department competed in various music meets in the state this year. The mixed chorus was awarded a superior and the girls' chorus an excellent at the music meet held at C.P.S.

First row: Fisker, Sorenson, Gouge, Dittmar, Mattson, O'Dell, Aust, Wilson.
Second row: Peterson, Calhoun, Waxdahl, Ludvikson, Taylor, Brown, Goldman, Underhill, Ulleland.

First row: Stafford, Maks, DeBuque, Orton, Swartz, Knudtson.
Second row: Wells, Mairs, Thrasher, Zinn, Kruse, McDonald, Hayes, Gordon, Patterson.
Third row: Leyert, McDonald, Krie, Leber, Ball Baines, Winnett, Case, Gleason.
Fourth row: Roundtree, Hixon, Kelly, Rumsey, Gross, Scott, Paris, Macey.

GIRLS' HONOR CLUB

First row: Stacie, Nelson, McLane, Yambra, Zittel.

Second row: Wright, Hanson, Johnson, Hammarstrom, Cavender, Blanton, Norberg.

Third row: St. Louis, Brown, Shaffer, Edline, Horstman, Petrich, Oien.

Fourth row: Wightman, Wells, Hauge, McHugh, Prindible, McIntyre. Camera shy: Hunter.

Girls' Honor completed a successful year under the leadership of Sue McLane and her assistants Janice Nelson, vice-president; Sue Stacie, secretary; Janet Zittel, registrar, and Marion Yambra, treasurer.

The office of treasurer was added this year to eliminate the registrar's heavy burden.

The Girls' Honor alumnae tea during Homecoming week and the annual tolo held in May were highlights of their social activities. These were headed by Sally Hammarstrom, Patsy Norberg, and Marion Yambra, respectively.

New members were admitted into the organization at the fall semi-formal and the spring formal initiation.

Other activities were the annual potluck and trophy clean, bake sales to raise money for the tolo, and selling popcorn at the basketball games.

LIBRARIANS

A valuable part of this institution is the library. Into capable hands of students and faculty librarian, Mildred Amend, go new and old books. At present there are hundreds of books available which include a wide variety of periodical literature.

Regular classes are held every other Monday to discuss possible improvements.

Displays aimed to interest students in new books are created by the clever hands of the librarians.

First row: Orton, DeBuque, Risedorph, LeVesque, Hayes, Grant, Biggar.

Second row: McDonald, Allen, Wells, Milden, Pudmaroff, McCluskey, Swartz.

Third row: Lenting, Aprill, Boley, Hughes, Amend, Schuler, Mairs.

SECRETARIES

First row: Pudmaroff, Risedorph, Johnson, Breda, DeMan, Knapstad, Grant, Biggar, Picardo.

Second row: Corneyo, Shaffer, Olen, Petrich, Yambra, Clifford, Anderson, Sassetti.

Third row: Milden, Beard, Krie, Martin, Aprill, Agars, Hughes, Boley, Wells, Lewis.

The busiest hands in K-M are those of the secretaries helping with the mass of details that circulate through the maze of offices. Attendance, bulletins to classes, parents and teachers, correspondence, and a complaint department are all handled by 31 student secretaries. Controlling the group as much as possible is Frances Tank.

THESPIANS

Applauding hands rewarded the efforts of th's year's Thespians as they entertained the public with their performances.

Headed by Ellen Anderson, president; Norma Jean Hanson, vice-pres'dent; Karen Wells, secretary-treasurer, and Pat Angell, historian, the club presented the senior play "Our Miss Brooks," starring Pat Cavender in the title role.

National Thespian Initiation was held at Kent for Kent and Auburn initiates.

Major activities of the club included taking part in school assemblies, putting on programs for P.-T. A. and presenting the all-school play "Too Many Dates" starring Joanne McIntyre.

Baden, Anderson, Hanson, Wells.

FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA

Open house for the new home economics units highlighted this year's agenda for the Future Homemakers of America.

During the summer, Claudia Calvert, past president of the organization, was sent to the National Convention in Chicago, the first of which K-M has had an opportunity to attend.

Leaders for this year were Pat St. Louis, president; Ellen Anderson, vice-president; Jackie Beard, secretary; Fonda Wilson, treasurer; Lizzie Miyagishima, historian; Jannie Bevaart, reporter, and Pat Angell, song leader.

Throughout the year numerous activities including the annual Father-Daughter banquet, swimming parties, food auctions, Christmas card sales, and benefit food baskets were sponsored by this group.

First row: Bevaart, Anderson, St. Louis, Martin, Wilson.
Second row: Woyak, Bliss, LeVesque, Hove, Nelson, Hanson, Holland.

Third row: Sells, Taylor, Stacie, Sassetti, Lubking, Merrick, Stroomer, Messmer, Hammarstrom, Wightman, DeMan.

TORCH HONOR

TOP—*2nd row*—Norberg, Hammarstrom, Shea, Horstman, Zittel RIGHT—*3rd row*—Olson, Omey, Osterhouse, McClurken
1st row—Cavender, Blanton, Yambra, Edline, Shaffer *2nd row*—Picardo, Beard, Calvert
LEFT—Miss Madison, Advisor *1st row*—Brown, Anderson, Dreisow

Torch is organized from students who have earned a B grade average or better.

Led by Stewart McClurken, president; Bill Enger, vice - president; Barbara Anderson, secretary, and advised by Lillian Madison, the club sponsored a combined talent show with the Junior class.

The 113 members of Torch Honor have the largest membership in the history of Kent-Meridian. A greater percentage of B average students graced K-M halls this year than ever before.

DEBATE SQUAD

Kent-Meridian's debate club under direction of Gus Allen, coach, participated in debates held at Pacific Lutheran, College of Puget Sound, Seattle University, and Seattle Pacific.

Members of the teams are: Dave Schuy and Marietta Stark; Joan Knapstad and Sharlene Krie; Lee Leber and Karen Wells; Margie Meyst and Martha Kitajo; and Marion Sundlie, one-man debate.

First row: Schuy, Larin, Krie, Jienke, Braunschweig, Kitajo, Sundlie, Meyst.
2nd row: Hauge, Snelling, Wells, Knapstad, Allen, Stark.

LETTERMEN'S CLUB

1st row: Flotten, McClurken J. Emerson Birklid Ellis, Calhoun Dillman, Ness Gill
2nd row: Shaneyfeldt, Pierre, Myers, J.Anderson, Benson, Yambra, Fox, Searcy, Olson.
3rd row: Habryle, B.Anderson, W.Hurt, B.Hurt, Stennes, Hougardy, Blackford, R.Anderson, Schoenfeld, Tranholt, Guild, Grosz, Warren, Rawley.

Lettermen's Club, composed of boys who have earned a letter in a major sport, works to promote good sportsmanship among the rest of the student body.

Their main activity this year was the presentation of the smoker held in the new gymnasium.

SERVICE CLUB

Service Club, an all-boy organization, is responsible for running movie projectors, setting up loud speakers, and running the P.A. at football games. Art Pommer as advisor and Gary Fisker in the role of president led this group to another successful year of relieving the teachers of many unpleasant and time-consuming tasks.

First row: Hanson, Pearson, Geijsbeek, McClurken, Fisker, Ellis, Yambra, Jackson, Fournier.

Second row: Bigley, Anderson, Peterson, Fugate, Ruth, Durand, Higgens, Koch, Enger, Ludviksen, Johnson.

HOMECOMING ROYALTY

Queen Janet with her princesses Sally Hammarstrom (left) and Julie Horstman.

This year's Homecoming Royalty chosen from the senior class to reign over the annual affair were Queen Janet Zittel and Princesses Sally Hammarstrom and Julie Horstman.

Festivities got under way Thursday night, November 5, with a pep assembly on French Field sponsored by the Kent Chamber of Commerce.

The following night, the Royals met the Auburn Trojans in a combination Homecoming and Taylor Trophy game. K-M was defeated 46 to 12.

The name of the Queen was withheld until the announcement at half time of the game.

Saturday evening, November 7, one of Kent's most successful Homecoming dances was held in the Junior High gym. During intermission, Queen Janet was crowned by Eugene Omey, A.S.B. President. The two Princesses were escorted by the junior and sophomore class presidents.

The Queen's throne was beautifully decorated with layers of ruffles, krinkled silver and blue foil, and crepe paper. An "Arc de Triomphe" and Eiffel Tower along with small tables covered with checked cloths carried out the theme.

Included in the many activities scheduled for the Royalty was a television appearance and a tour of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer and the Seattle Times buildings.

First row: Kitajo, Stark, Beard, Gouge, Mrs. Amend, Standal, Hammarstrom, Blanton, Breda, Agors.

Inset: Blanton, Stendal, Miyagishima.

Second row: Pudmaroff, Wilson.

GIRLS' CLUB CABINET

The Girls' Club Cabinet is the executive committee for the largest organization in Kent-Meridian High School.

All business matters are passed on by this group before being presented to the club as a whole.

The Mother's Tea in May is their biggest social event of the year.

FIRE SQUAD

Fire Chief Jim Olson capably headed the K-M fire squad this year with the help of assistant chief Jim Hougardy.

The fire fighters, commandeering all fire drills and air raids, checked fire extinguishers and made sure every room was emptied with all windows closed.

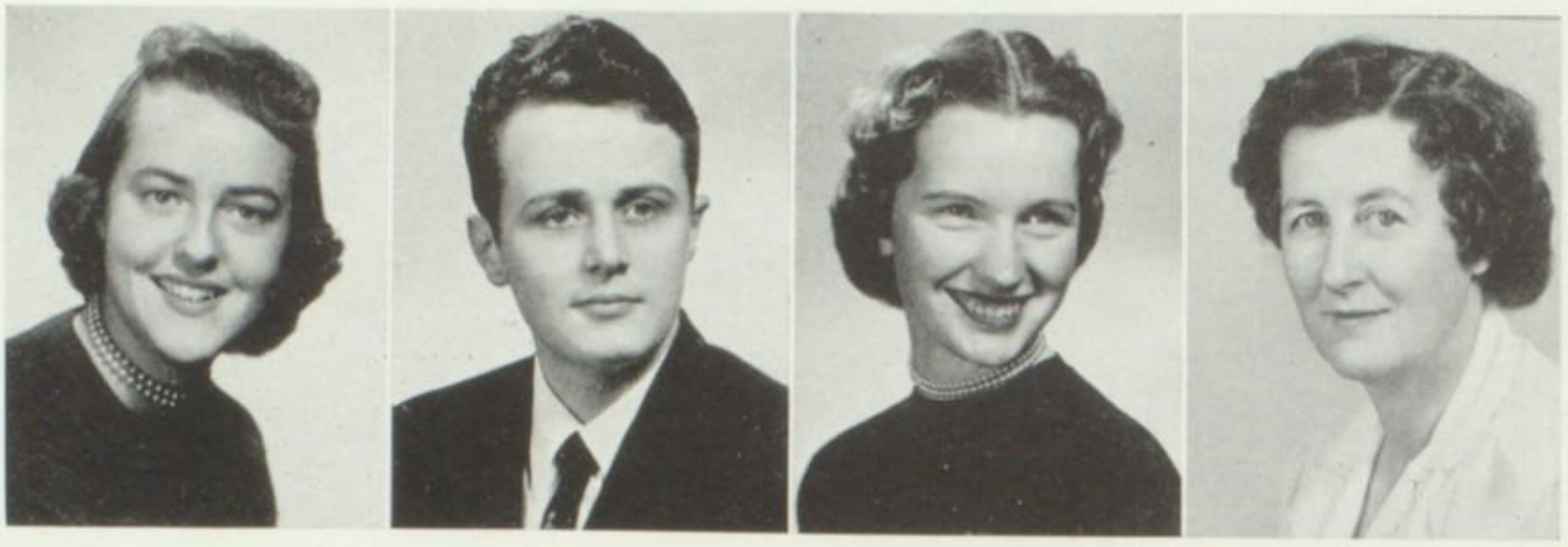
Each of the twenty-two members was assigned one or two rooms for which to be responsible.

First row: Higgens, Barnett, Ellis.

Second row: Tranholt, B. Anderson, G. Anderson. Birklid, Benson.

Third row: Hanson, Geijsbeek, Olson, Hougardy, Stennes, Calhoun.

DIADEM STAFF

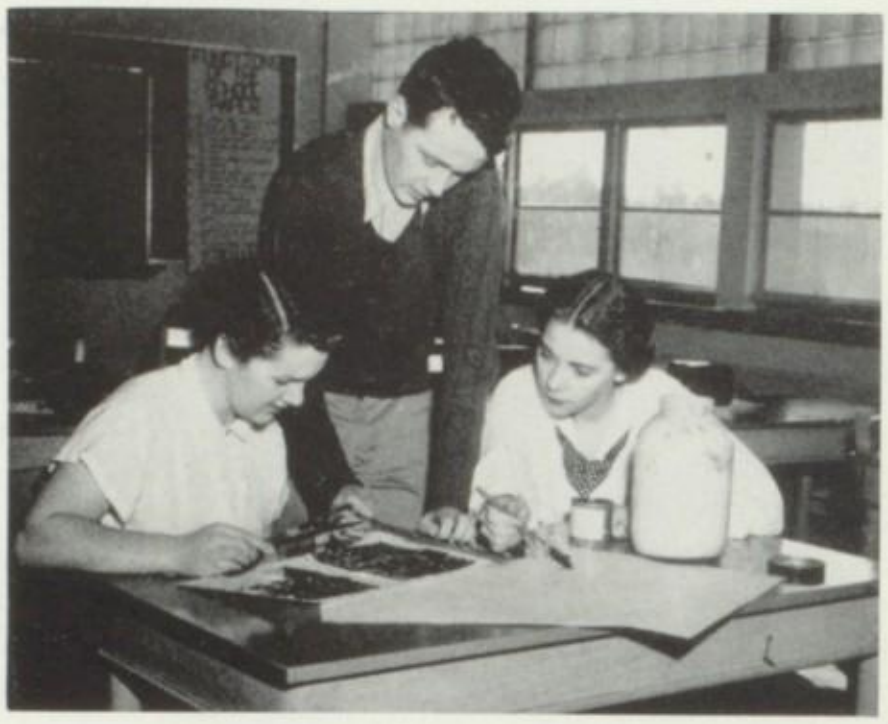


Arlene Shaffer, editor; Jerry Shea, assistant editor; Pat Cavender, artist; Eileen McHugh, advisor.

This year instead of just listing the members of the annual staff we decided you might like to get a behind-the-scenes glimpse of some steps that were taken in assembling this DIADEM.

Work began early in October after Arlene Shaffer, editor had chosen her staff. A general theme was selected and the rough draft diagrammed. After the first pictures were printed, the engraver's layouts were set up by cropping and pasting the photos. A list of the glue corps would include Sue McLane, Diane Edline, Nancy Hove, and Jerry Shea.

The various section dividers had to be



Members of the glue corps: Locke, Shea, Hove.

Sports staff: Taylor & Calhoun. Artists: Kirkland & Cavender

Diane Edline, Business Manager.

drawn. This was Pat Cavender's department.

Under the direction of Barbara Kirkland, the copy writers were summarizing the activities of each school organization. Another group, under Sally Hammarstrom, probed into each senior's activities during the past three years.

Sports chief Larry Calhoun and his aides were seen gathering information on each of the Royal teams.

Meanwhile, the business side of the annual was being handled by Diane Edline's staff. Janet Zittel took charge of subscriptions while Marion Yambra led the ad salesmen.

A complete rundown of contributors would be impossible but the annual staff would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who had a part in making this 1954 DIADEM a reality.

Diadem circulation staff: Wells, Baden, Zittel, Stoy.

LeVesque, McIntyre, Neilson, Kruse, St. Louis, Sells, Ameny.

ROYAL HERALD

Julie Horstman, Editor in Chief.

The Royal Herald, Kent-Meridian's official publication, has successfully completed another year of service to the students.

Almost any time of the day, staff members, guided by Eileen McHugh, could be seen scurrying from place to place gathering news and material for features and editorials to be seen in the bi-monthly publication.

Besides publishing the Herald, the busy journalism students found time to sponsor a food and clothing drive at Christmas, attend the annual press clinic at the University of Washington, and arrange an outstanding open house display.

Under the direction of Julie Horstman, editor; Rita Hunter, business manager; and John Ruth, sports editor; the Royal Herald has done a good job of presenting the news to the students of Kent-Meridian.

Taylor, Nelson, Kirkland, Prindible, Merrick.

SPORTS STAFF

Fournier, Shea, Ruth, Locke, Skogen.

The Herald sports staff, under the direction of John Ruth and Jerry Shea, editor and assistant editor, have laid down their battered typewriters and turned in their beat up press cards as another hectic year draws to a close.

Although that ominous thing known as the deadline always seemed to be staring them in the face, these hard (?) working individuals somehow always made it.

In addition to covering football, basketball, baseball, golf, tennis, and G.A.A. activities, these sportswriters brought into print interesting sidelights about K-M athletic teams.

Rita Hunter, Business Manager; Sue McLane, typist.

First row: Wilson, Johnson, Sells, Brown, Masquat, Taylor, Flotten, Messmer, DeMan, Baden, Small, Kitajo, Atchley, Snelling.
Second row: Cooper, Agars, Brown, Bevaart, Merrick, Petrich, Cavender, Olen, Cluphf, Cook, Edline, Zacharias.
Third row: Kelly, McClurken, Larin, Jackson, Christianson, Evans, Schuler, Rugg, Stendal, Kennedy, Aprill, Hanson, Lapins.

SPANISH CLUB

As the year draws to a close the little Spaniards (poco espanoles) look back on a most profitable year. One of the highlights was the annual Spanish Club banquet held at Cook's Spanish Inn.

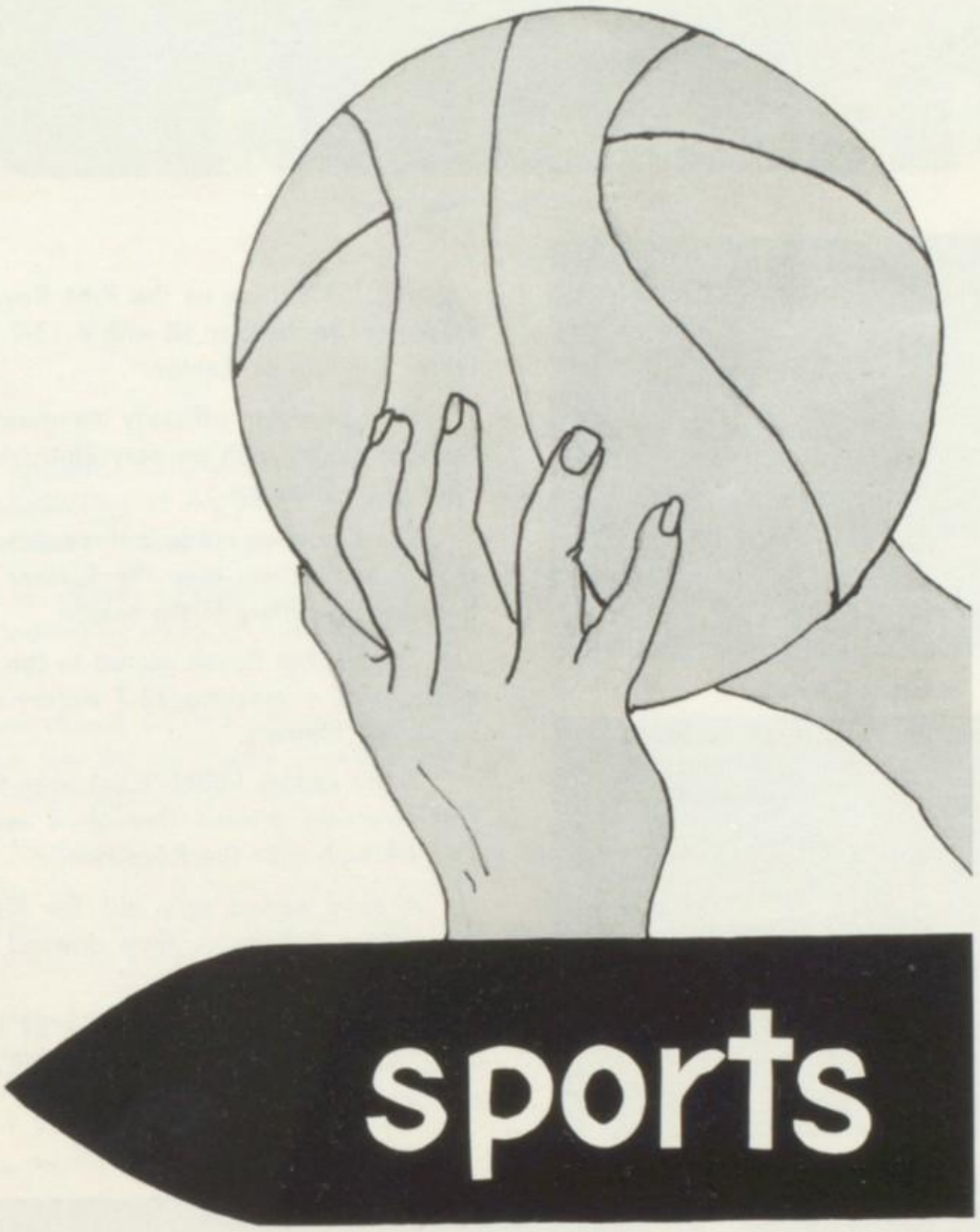
The Spanish Club washed all the windows in the school and bought a bush for the grounds.

FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

The biggest event of the year for the Future Farmers of America was sending their parliamentary procedure team to the state contest at Pullman where they received a second place, missing top honors by a very close margin.

David Schuy was elected state vice-president. Schuy and Jim Pierre were awarded the State Farmer degree, the second highest award given in the F.F.A.

First row: Habryle, Schuy, Pierre, Anderson.
Second row: Hunter, Strecker, Schuy, Ellis.
Third Row: Gill, Gabrielson, Bergsma, Wells, Owens.
Fourth row: Chadwick, Portmann, Gould, Botts, Thompson, Kohr, Evans.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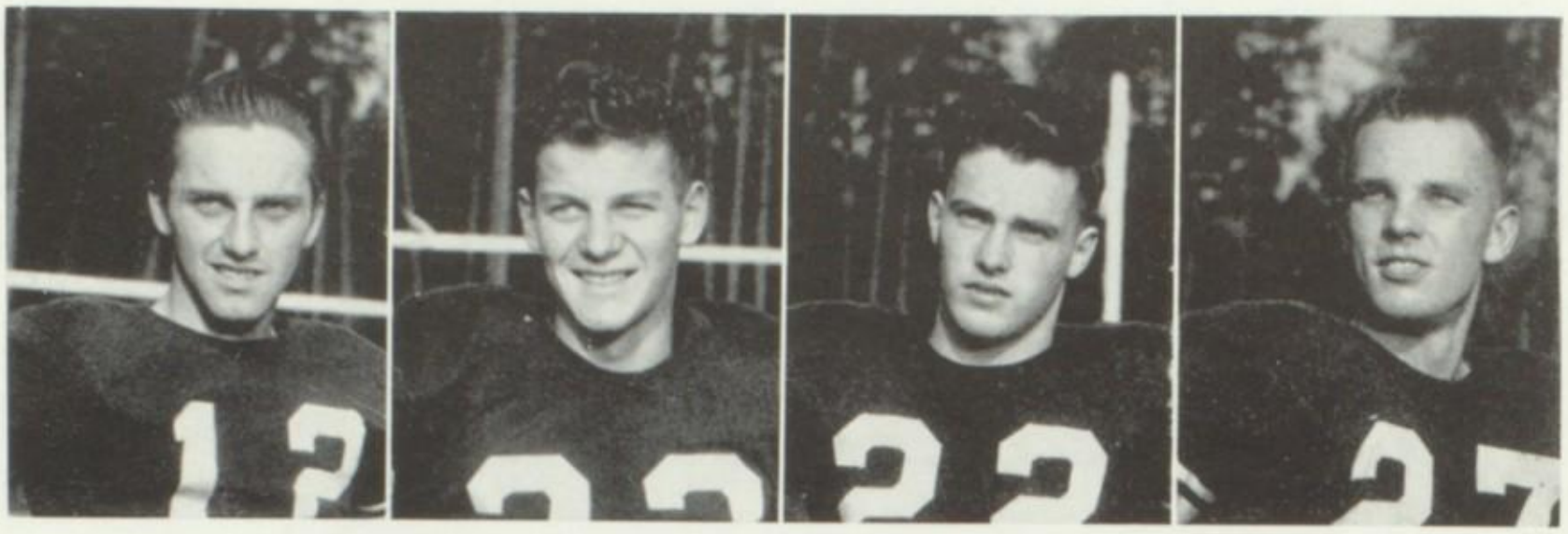
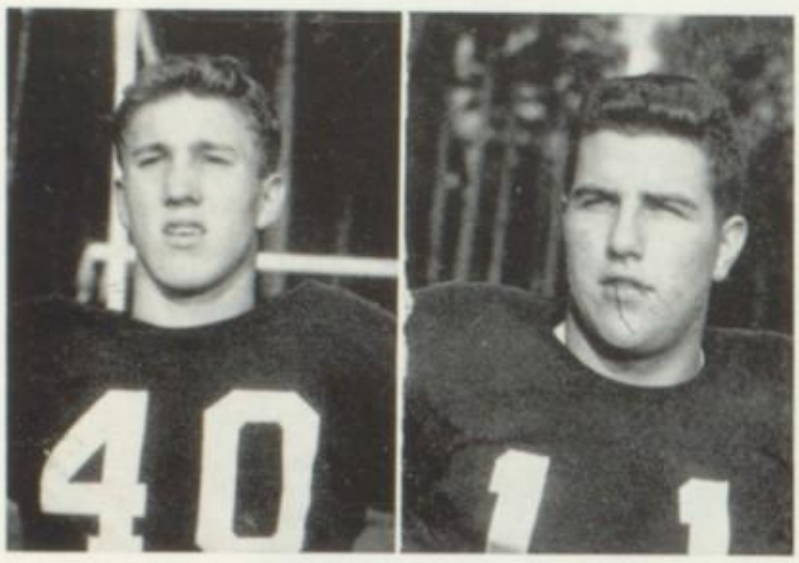
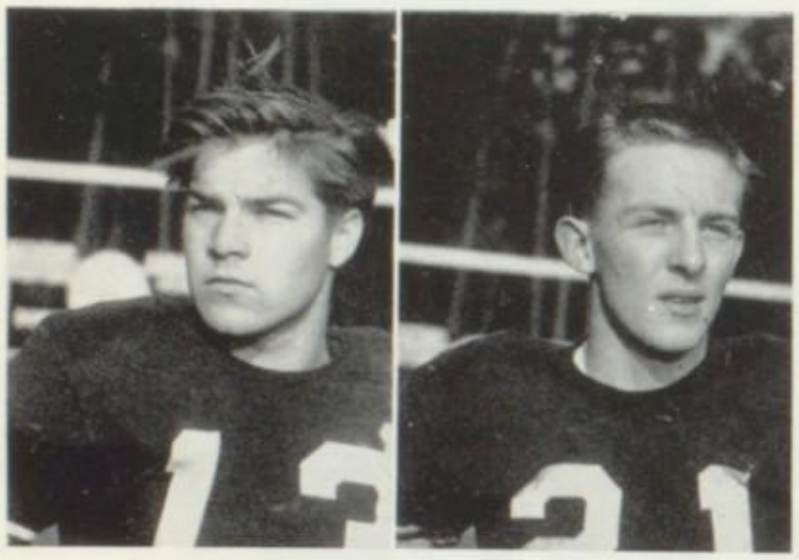
FOOTBALL



Staples, Hurt, Omey, Lybeck



Schoenfeld, Pierre



D'Ilman, G. Anderson

The '53 edition of the K-M Royals opened their season on September 18 with a 13-0 victory over the Foster Bulldogs at Renton.

Kent-Meridian officially inaugurated French Field the next Friday with an easy 25-0 triumph over Shelton's High Climbers.

The Kingsmen made it three victories in a row by scoring a 13-0 win over the Sumner Spartans in the first league contest of the season.

The red-hot Royals soared to the top in the P.S.L. ladder with a smashing 32-7 victory over Enumclaw's outplayed Hornets.

K-M's victory bubble burst when the tough Clover Park Warriors plowed through a sea of mud to a 13-6 triumph over the Royalmen.

A third period rally got the Kingsmen back in the victory column as they downed an under-rated Mt. Si eleven 13-12.

Kent-Meridian dropped out of the title picture when they fell to the powerful Puyallup Vikings 27-12 on October 23.

First row: Ochs, Dillman, Gerber, Olson, Siverts, Grosz.
Second row: Orndorff, Simpson, Wicks, Hunt, Stennes, Bagby.

FOOTBALL

B. Anderson, J. Emerson, Birklid, Hougardy.

The Royals suffered their worst defeat of the season, a 46-12 shellacking at the hands of their bitterest rival, the Auburn Trojans.

K-M swept to victory number six, a 12-7 win over the Renton Indians by virtue of a touchdown late in the third quarter.

The Kingsmen closed out the season on French Field with a 33-6 loss to the Puget Sound League Champion Highline Pirates.

The Royals finished the year with a 6-4 overall record, scoring 144 points to their opponents' 145. K-M took fifth place in the Puget Sourd League, scoring 3 wins against 4 setbacks.

Besides placing Fred Emerson on the All-Conference Team, Emerson and Lybeck were chosen state alternates. The Royals had four men, Gene Omey, Bob Hurt, Chuck Lybeck, and Bob Staples who received honorable mention on all-conference.

W. Hurt, Blackford

Larin, Myers

Being the best broken field runner in the league, Fred Emerson was voted as a first string halfback on the P.S.L. All-Conference team.

Fred Emerson

Kitago, Braunschweig, Horstman, Peterson.

YELL SQUAD

Julie Horstman, Yell Queen, capably led the squad through their actions to support the Royals. The queen and her enthusiastic squad, Martha Kitajo, Jessie Wright, and Mary Braunschweig were always on hand to back the Royalmen at every contest.

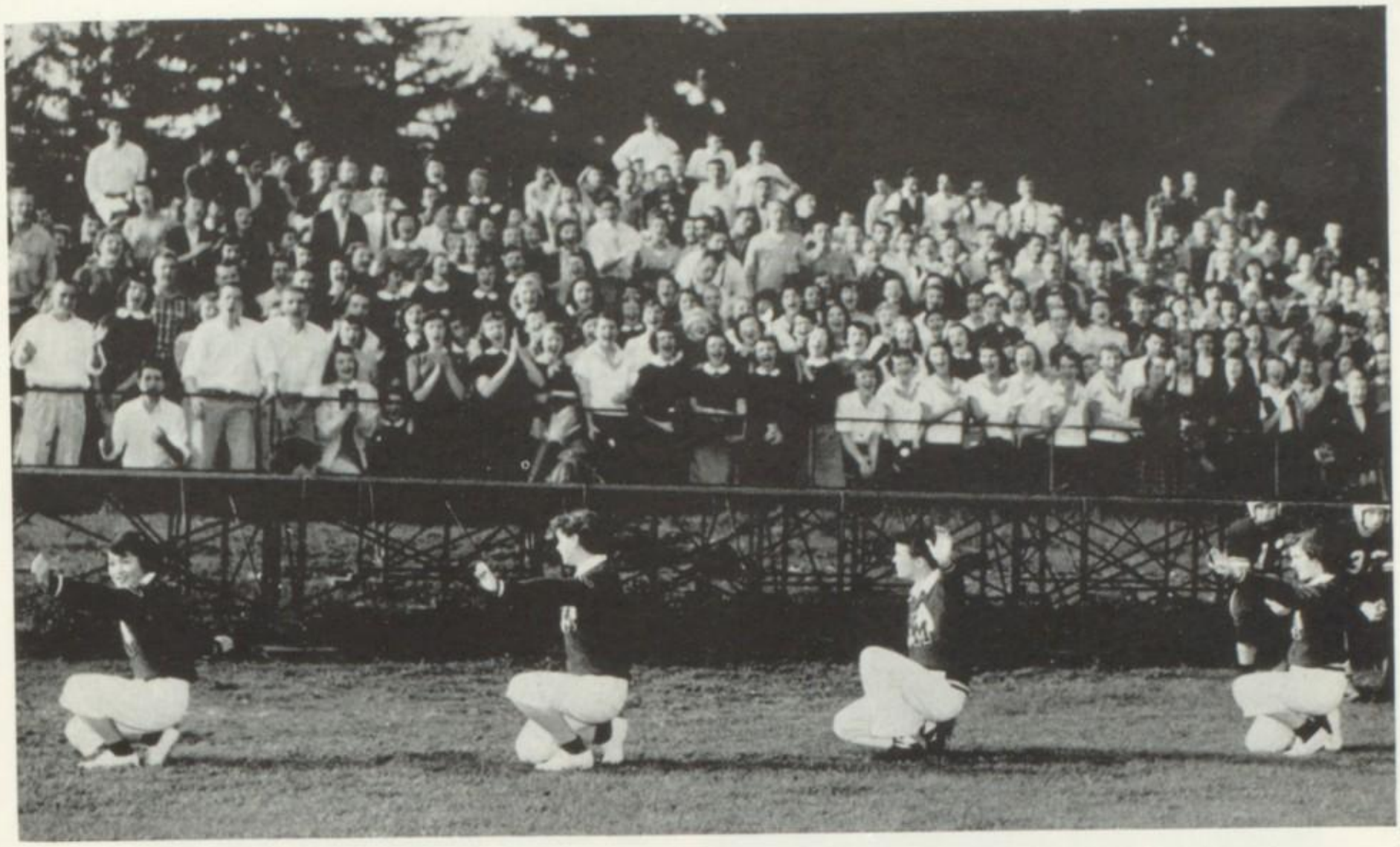
PEP CLUB

Pep Club got off to a good start this year by decorating the goal posts and stands for all home football games.

Officers in charge of activities for the club are Ann Scott, president; Sharon Dingman, vice-president; Sandra Stennes, secretary; Beverly Brown, registrar.

First row: Baden, Clifford, Hunter, Kitajo, Braunschweig, Horstman, Wright, Brown, Gault, Sells.
Second row: Scott, Dingman, Blanton, Cavender, Petrich, Olen, Edline, McLane, Nesland, Jeinke.
Third row: Stennes, Zittel, Nelson, Norberg, Prindible, Yombra, Goldman, Shaffer, Stafford.

YELL SQUAD



Students led by the vivacious yell squad filled the stands at the first pep assembly in French Field.

Coach Burrell and Claude French for whom the field was named talk it over at the pre-dedication pep assembly.

Hands working together completed the final link in a three-year dream of alumni, students and faculty, for a football stadium and scoreboard.

The field was inaugurated with the first game of the season. Claude French known around K-M as "Mr. Football" was honored by the dedication of Claude French Field. For 28 years French coached over 1,200 Kent players, many of whom were on hand for the ceremony.

Willing hands helped with the final payment of the huge scoreboard by selling blue and white booster ribbons with alumni donating approximately $750.

BASKETBALL

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The '54 basketball Royals weathered an early season storm of seven straight defeats to emerge as the upset kings of the Puget Sound League. Kent-Meridian finished with an unimpressive 7-12 record but knocked off such highly rated teams as Enumclaw, Puyallup, and Lake Washington in gaining a fifth place tie in the final standings.

The Kingsmen opened the season with a heartbreaking loss to Bellevue and just never seemed to recover from the setback as they dropped the next six games and sank to the PSL basement.

FIRST ROW: STRAIN, OAKES, RAVET, LARIN.
SECOND ROW: RIPLEY, ZACHARIAS, HURT, WICKS, SIMPSON.

"B" SQUAD

The B squad, coached by Jack Burrell, showed great promise for next year in winning 12 and losing 6 of their contests.

BASKETBALL

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TAPPAN

K-M finally broke out of their slump at the expense of hapless Sumner but the championship dreams were gone. Then the Royals threw the league race into a turmoil by downing Enumclaw, then stunning mighty Puyallup. The Kingsmen fell into another tailspin but managed to salvage some of their lost glory by later tripping two tough non-league foes, Lake Washington and Mt. Si.

Coach Dahl and his boys should receive plenty of credit for coming back when all seemed lost.

BURRELL

J. EMERSON

FIRST ROW: SANFORD, WEBB, BARNETT, SANDELIUS.
SECOND ROW: DAVIS, YAMBRA, McCLURKEN, FLOTTEN, M. ANDERSON.

"C" SQUAD

For the first year, K-M's "C" squad had a successful season under Coach John Boyle, winning 4 and losing 3.

Turnouts were held three times a week and games were scheduled for twice a week.

TRACK SQUAD

First row: Shaneyfelt, Pearson, Habryle, Guild, Hougardy, Schoenfeld.

Second row: Searcy, Blackford, Gill, Birklid, Ness, Benson.

Third row: Tommervik, English, Tranholt, Staples, Calhoun, Anderson, Rawley.

With a host of returning lettermen and a group of promising sophomores, the K-M track squad appears to be a contender for the league crown. Coach Tommervik's boys copped their first two contests by overwhelming margins.

The Royal trackmen competed in seven meets and finished out their season at the all-conference meet.

NON-LETTERMEN TRACK

First row: B. Anderson, Birklid, Strecker, Hanson, Jenn, Hunter, Dillman.

Second row: Ge'jsbeek, Taylor, Orndorff, Fox, G. Anderson.

Third row: Tommervik, Johnson, Bergsma, Gabrielson, Arca, Benedict, Helgeson, Stennes.

BASEBALL

First row: Omey, Lybeck, F. Emerson.

Second row: B'shop, Yambra, Olson, Webb.

With five returning lettermen and remnants of an undefeated Junior High squad, the baseball Royals looked forward to a promising season.

Forming the nucleus of the team were Mike Yambra, Gene Omey, Jim Olson, Fred Emerson, and Charley Lybeck.

Outstanding Sophomore prospects included Ron Warren, Richard Ochs, Dave Ravet, Dave Grosz, and Calvin Bagby.

Also back were Larry Webb and Emerson Bishop from the second team.

BASEBALL LETTERMEN

First row: Morgan, Pearson, Thompson, Sandelius, Weis.
Second row: Ochs, Bardon, Ravet, Curtis, Dahlgren, Babcock.
Third row: Bagby, Warren, Tappon, Grosz, Simpson, Williamson, Johnson, Bosshart.

G.A.A. CABINET

First row: Scott, Knapstad, Krie, Zacharias, Grant.
Second row: Redd'e, Martin, Leber, Gouge, Stennes, Aprill.

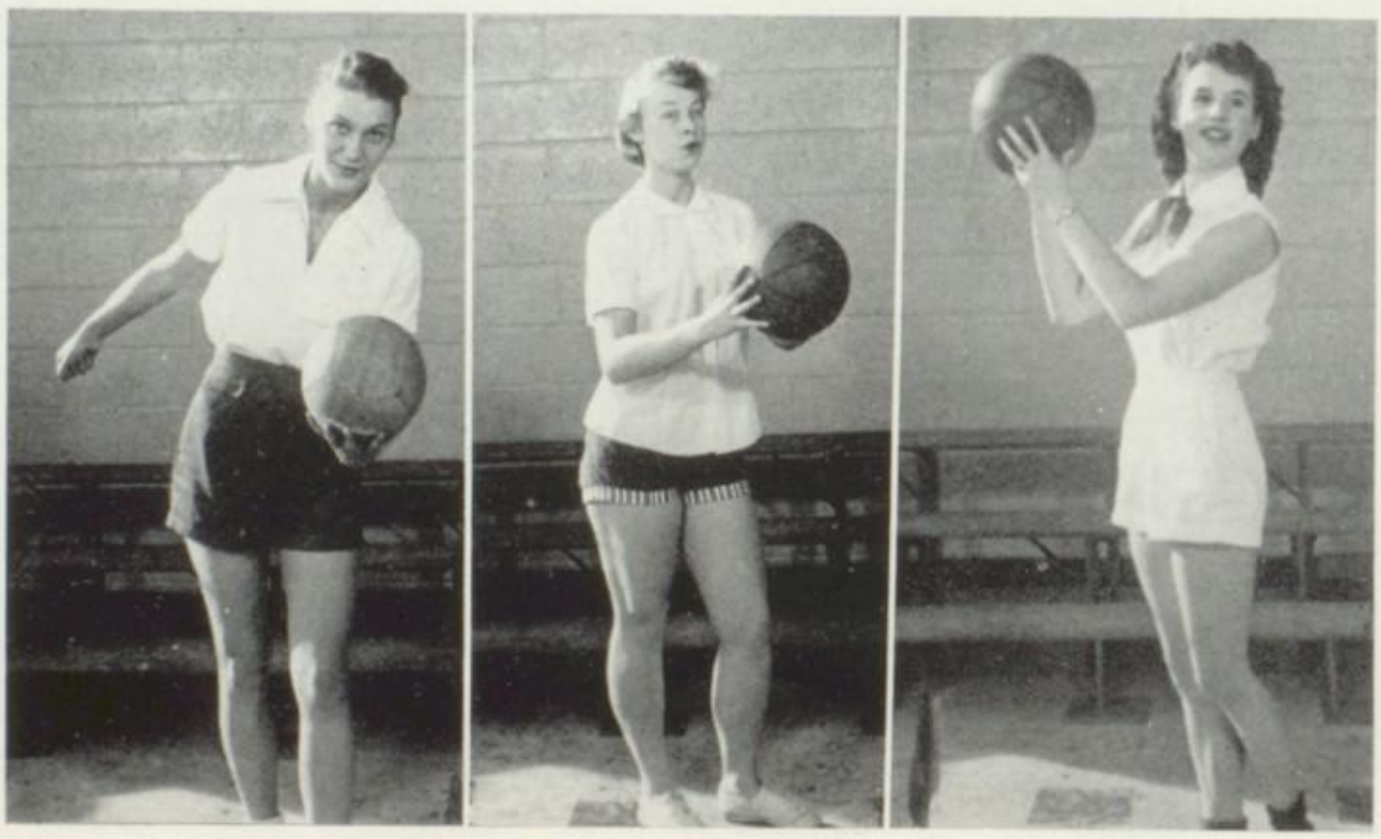
All girls are eligible for membership in G.A.A. To earn a letter, 100 points are required. They may be obtained by 8 out of 10 turnouts in five of the seven following sports: baseball, volleyball, basketball, ping-pong, badminton, recreational parties, and tennis.

Wielding the gavel this year was Shirley Grant, president; Jo Ann Gouge, vice-president; Donna Leber, secretary; Joan Knapstad, treasurer-historian, and Sandra Stennes, sophomore representative.

The G.A.A. played host to Auburn, Renton and Highline at their annual volleyball playday. These schools entertained local gals at various other playdays throughout the season.

Mother-daughter award night was held at which time letter winners and new officers were announced. A plaque for outstanding sportsmanship was awarded and informal initiation was held for new members.

G.A.A. ACTION



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TENNIS

First row: McClurken, Case, Appleton, Masquat, Prindible, Beams, Flotten.

Second row: Stark, Knutson, LeVesque, Bliss, Woyak, Gouge.

Third row: Jackson, Fugate, Anderson, Fisker, Leber, Hunter, Pommer, Wright.

The tennis team, although it never can compete with football, baseball and basketball in sharing the limelight, finished off the '52-'53 season in smart style. Finishing second only to White River, the Royal racqueteers won 5 out of 6 league matches.

Coach Arthur Pommer, will bank his "54" team around returning lettermen, Shirley Bliss, Stewart McClurken, Larry Flotten and Joanne Gouge. Enthusiastic contenders hoping for a starting berth on the squad are, Jeanne LeVesque, Jeanne Woyak, Lee Leber, Jessie Wright, Karl Higgens, Eddie Jackson, Dianne Prindible, Nancy Lewis, Dave Durand, Garfield Anderson, Gary Fisker and Janice Nelson.

GOLF

With two returning lettermen, the golf team under the direction of Pete Baffaro had its turnouts at the Green River Course.

Mickey Ellis and John Fournier returnees, led the five new members to a successful season.

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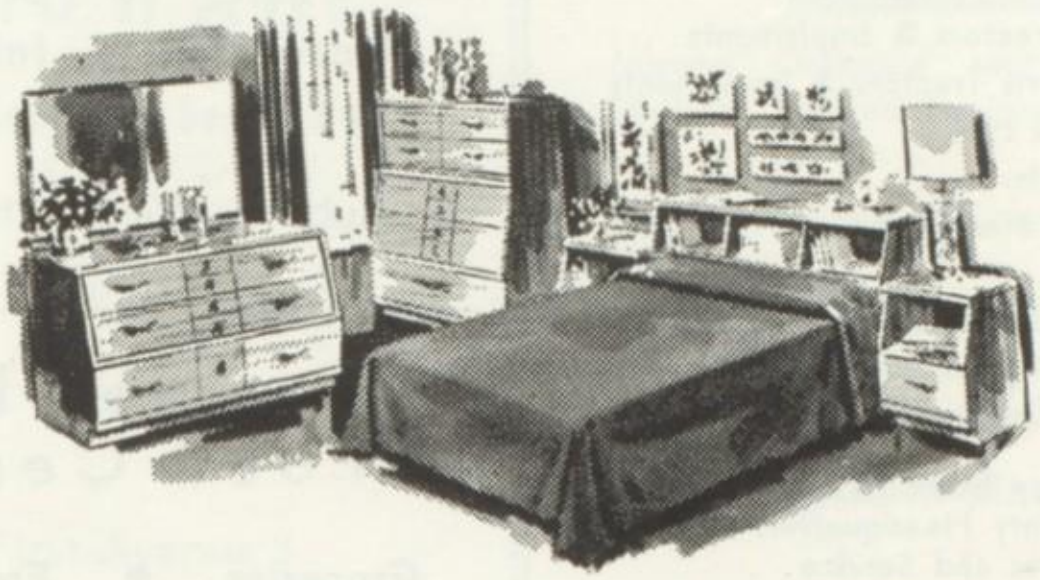

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PROPHECY

"The Case of the Purple Hand"

Soft moans issue forth from a dimly lit crude dwelling in the Seattle slums. A slender woman with pitch black hair and sharp eyes that belie her age, sits at a round table in deep concentration peering into a chipped and dulled crystal ball. JANET ZITTEL palmist, a battered sign outside announces.

A waddling woman stumbles from the inner sanctum in the staggering darkness and falls. The thud startles Zittel from her trance, she jumps, then assists her comrade in palmistry, SUE McLANE to her feet. The obstruction that caused the fat fortune teller to trip is revealed. A massacred body with a mutilated face lies sprawled in a pool of blood. "Who-done-it?" and "Who-is-it?" One of the hands is missing! The frantic women run shrieking from the building. DICK AMENY popular underworld figure rushes on the scene with shopkeeper EDDIE JACKSON, street cleaner JACK SCHEAFER, and curious passers-by SANDRA WINNETT, MARTINA STROOMER, BEVERLY RISEDORPH, FRANCES COURNEYA, and CLIFF McCULLOUGH.

An ambulance, driven by DEAN ROSS, careens around the corner having been summoned by alert rookie policeman JOHN SCHUY. Stretcher-bearers LOREN GORDON, CLINTON PETERSON, GLOYD NEILSON, and WAYNE McCUTCHEN trot into the room and shudder at the presence of death. Coroner PHILLIP NARVERUD comes in to make conclusive tests. After KARL HIGGENS, lab technician at Police Headquarters, has collected necessary information and photographer RICHARD ANDERSON has "shot" the body from all angles, the unknown victim is carted away.

At headquarters the police sergeant MICKEY ELLIS gathers together the information. The suspects are lined up. District Attorney JOE O'DONNELL and policemen PAUL PEARSON, CLIFFORD ROBERTSON, and RALPH SCHOENFELD go in to witness the questioning. The first man in the lineup is RONNIE ANDERSON, impoverished crooner and his former partner, NORMA JEAN HANSON, who has lately become the singing star of the Salvation Army. EMERSON BISHOP, a private detective is questioned next. Anderson proves witness BONNIE MARTIN wrong in saying he was on the scene of the crime by calling in JOHN RAWLEY who backs up the suspect's alibi by stating they had been cutting out paper dolls together in suite 2A of the JEANNIE LE VESQUE hotel at the time of the murder.

Infamous gangster movie team, headed by GLEN ANDERSON and including JOAN "Crewy Lou" TAYLOR, PAT "Sticky Fingers" ST. LOUIS, NANCY "Glimmer Glamour" HOVE and T-V's answer to "Howdy Doody" BEN BESE and GARY FISKER are queried next. The thugs support their plea of innocence with the testimony of COP AMENY and are temporarily dismissed. CECIL KRUSE, one time diamond smuggler, and that old gang of hers BETTIE BOLEY, BARBARA APRILL, JANICE CODY, CONNIE MAIRS, and LILLIAN JONES are checked out. One by one all the suspects are released for lack of evidence.

Crime reporter BARBARA KIRKLAND has been assigned the murder story by JERRY SHEA, editor of Seattle's third daily, "The Acid Tribune". The reporter decides to nose around on her own. Deft questioning of the LeVesque desk clerk, STEWART McCLURKEN reveals the larcenous duo, Anderson and Rawley were "out" at the time of the murder.

Stationing herself in the luxurious lobby, the nosey newsy waits for her suspects to return. A mink clad PAT ANGELL enters, and with a patronizing smile for operator LARRY CALHOUN, minces into the elevator. DONNA BREDA, MYRNA ALLEN, NANCY LEWIS, and SUE STACIE hurry through to prepare for their spot on the evening's music program. VIJA AGARS, U.S. ambassador to Germany, swings through the door with VIRGINIA CASE, PEGGY HUGHES, and YVONNE EVANS in tow. JOANNA MERRICK and JESSIE WRIGHT enter and sit down to wait for husbands CHUCK LYBECK and FRED EMERSON. The two popular baseball players are on tour with the Blue Sox.

Meanwhile at the fortune tellers' customers are coming and going as usual. A short, tanned woman strides through the door, loaded with tennis paraphernalia. SHIRLEY BLISS asks what her chances are for winning the women's finals and finds them favorable. As she exits, an enormous man rattles in. ELLSWORTH CARLSON, now a county sheriff in Nevada is in Seattle on his search for STEPHEN CLUPHF, who is the only living heir to a rich oil magnate. LORA LEE BROWN, CLAUDIA CALVERT, and BEVERLY DRIESOW, who maintain a botanical nursery, arrive to check the intensity of their green thumbs, under which their success lies.

Suddenly there is a tatoo of scurrying feet. Oh yes! It's 2 o'clock and time for FLOTTEN, FROST, and FUGATE, that inimitable trio of comedians who appear on T.V. The stores close and all activity halts while the three F's are splitting the nation with laughter. JANICE BIGGAR, BETTIE BOLEY, CHARLENE KRIE, SHIRLEY GRANT, and JACKIE BEARD gather around the T.V. on display in Sells', Seattle's favorite department store, owned and operated by SANDY SELLS. A glance at the screen reveals HIGGENBOTHAM and HAYES, a team famous for their products selling spiels, advertising Kennedy's Remedy for corns and colds. The latest medical

miracle available to the public, was discovered by ALMA KENNEDY and her ghost scientists, FENJE LENTING, NINA SCHUVER, JESSE HANSON, MORRIS LINDBACK and BILL SORENSON.

Back at the palmist's JACK RELEYA pleads for a suggestion to escape the F.B.I. His affection for green paper has led to counterfeiting. His cohorts, JIM OLSON and BOB STAPLES whisk him away in a custom road cruiser designed by DONNA LEBER, when the woman refuses to help.

At headquarters, the sergeant on duty, KENT JOHNSON, receives a strange call from state judge GLEN ANDERSON. "I just found a box with a woman's hand in it on my doorstep. Funny thing, it has a purple tone to it."

"I'll be over right away," replies the sarge. "Hold everything."

The lab technician, Higgens, hops in the patrol car to ride along. With a characteristic fluency of suggestions and theories, technician and sergeant arrive at the judge's home.

The butler, HARVEY OSTERHOUSE, answers the door, private secretary ELLEN ANDERSON checks the appointment list and sends the two men into the vast library where, protected by his two guards, MORRIS LINDBACK and MIKE YAMBRA, the judge sits, quivering in his terror, mesmerized by the thing in the box.

"Quick man. Take it away! Why do you suppose - - - - Heavens to betsy! I am frightened. Do you think DAVID DURAND, the criminal I convicted last year has indulged in revenge? Is it a joke? or a - - - - threat?"

"Well, well, the purple coloration is an ordinary vegetable dye," concludes Higgins dogmatically.

"Let's go. I left JACK SCHEAFER on duty and you never can tell what might happen."

In the hotel, the reporter has been fishing for clues concerning the two suspects. Stationed new in the bar, GEORGE HASHAGEN, polishes glasses as he discusses the coming presidential campaign. It seems EUGENE OMEY is unopposed in the race for the Republican party candidacy. JULIE HORSTMAN, public relations chairman, is frantically searching for someone to compete with the popular politician. In a far corner of the well appointed room sit MARGARET BLANTON and PATSY NORBERG, inseparable yet, discussing their plans for another addition to their dime store chain.

A stir in the lobby attracts attention. PATTY CAVENDER, DORIS DE MAN, and DIANE EDLINE, voted Seattle's women of the year, breeze in, having just flown back from a trip to Hawaii.

PAT WELLS, SHIRLEY STAHLMAN. JEAN WOYAK, HUGH LOCKE, JOAN KNAPSTAD, and RICHARD ROMAN troop in and are escorted to their reserved suites. The sextette is strangely wealthy, an aura of mystery envelopes them. But there is no evidence of anything illegal, so they are granted the privacy they demand.

JUNE LUBKING and JOYCE SASSETTI stroll into the lounge and sit down. Then the reporter starts to attention as Rawley and Anderson join the two attractive girls. Slipping unobtrusively into an adjoining booth, the newshound is able to over hear their conversation.

"Boy, crime sure doesn't pay. We would pick mystery women to date the night somebody gets murdered. "What are we gonna do for an alibi?" groans a male voice.

"That's your business, dearie." is the chortled reply.

Wearily plodding out, the frustrated reporter leaves to check in to boss Shea.

JOHN RUTH, sports editor, gives her a lift as she hails a cab. Enroute to the city room, the lights of the city flash by. JANICE NELSON, prima ballerina, tonight in the Dying Swan. "MESSMER'S, home of the gourmet." BEVERLY MESSMER and BARBARA JOHNSON, with SALLY HAMMARSTROM handling the interior decoration, have opened an exclusive restaurant. But the prices! CAROL MILDEN, playing an organ, provides mood music for the customers. PAT HOLLAND is hostess, and her favorite waitresses are RITA HUNTER and KAY PETRICH. The two are working part-time to help their husbands provide for the kids. Thirteen children between the two families.

A tall neon announces a well-known grocery chain. Pushing bundles on wire carts are BOB HURT and LE ROY HABRYLE. Their stage struck wives are on tour, earning $1,000 per week! But then they like the grocery business.

"Maybe we ought to go down to Janet's," suggests John. "After all, you don't have your story yet."

"Suits me. I gave up long ago. This will probably cost me my job."

As they draw up before the dingy establishment, a little later, a shiny black limousine cruises to a stop.

"Huh! It looks as if we have company. Janet's business is doing well, it would seem."

The couple watch with interest as a man disguised by a wide brimmed hat, low on his forehead, and a standing collar, enters and talks to the palmist. Through the cracked and dusty curtained windows, the two can barely discern the objects of their fascination, but when Madame falls to her knees and doesn't get up. they jump into action.

Banging open the door, and hastily glancing at the anonymous figure, they examine the inert form of their friend.

"She's merely fainted," states a husky voice.

As the journalists look up they see the man has slipped out and is getting away.

"Hey, you! What's the big idea?" shouts John in a booming basso.

"Stop this instant!" echoes a feeble feminine voice. (Kirkie Klatters Again.)

A groggy assurance comes from inside. "It's all right - - - - I guess I just blacked out for a minute - - - - It is all clear now - - - - He killed the woman we found. He said her name was ARLENE SHAFFER. The hand that the judge was presented with was supposed to be revenge because he granted the divorce. Oh I'm so confused. That man was crazy ! ! ! The body was only a dummy.

"Of course. How stupid can you get?", replies John. It is all a publicity stunt to advertise the new show, "The Purple Hand" starring Shaffer.

Meanwhile the reporter has left to phone in her story without getting all the details. She has certainly garbled the works!

The excitement has gathered a crowd of curiosity seekers. VIRGINIA OIEN and MARION YAMBRA, who jointly own a missing persons bureau are also attracted by the commotion.

The owner of a dance studio next door, PAT PICARDO with her assistant LIZ MIYAGISHIMA have dropped in to satisfy their curiosity, with students PRISCELLA McDONALD and CONNIE WIGHTMAN.

"What the heck is going on here?" barks police sarge Johnson. "You guys clear out. I've got a date with that "dummy." She's a real killer diller ! ! !